

Walking, talking and understanding the lives of young people

The Council in partnership with others has recently started a series of 'Youth Walks' with local young people to get a real understanding of the challenges and strengths that they see in their local environment every day and, to identify where change might be needed.

The walks began following a meeting with a group of young people from the EPIC Youth Forum. Armed with a large map of the borough, the team ask young people to pinpoint areas on the map related to things they like and dislike about living in the borough.

They are interested in stories, not just feedback, to help them better understand the situations young people face every day as well as their ideas. At the first meeting young people identified concerns around anti-social behaviour and poor lighting so the team invited colleagues from relevant Council departments to join a walk so they could see and hear about the issues first hand.

Youth Walks – next steps

As a result of the walks, several suggestions from young people are being taken forward. The Community Safety team is hoping to recruit some young people from the walks to their Safer Neighbourhood Board which oversees community policing. Lighting on borough boundaries and promoting safer well-lit routes are some important issues being looked at. One local community association will also be working with young people to improve outdoor space through volunteering.

The walks will continue in the autumn term so if you know of a group of young people who would be keen to be involved, please let us know. It is hoped that this approach will be used by other Council services as a way of involving young people in change and decisions.

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Please contact Hooda Sabbah on Hooda.Sabbah@rbkc.gov.uk if you have any queries or would like to participate in the next Youth Walk.



Activities programme at The Curve Community Centre

Monday 3 September

- **10am–12noon** – ABC early years with Mithal (Learn, play and educate)
- **2pm–4pm** – Grenfell Support Services – drop-in advice and guidance for all
- **6.30–7.30pm** – Zumba with Paula (drop-in)

Tuesday 4 September

- **10.30am–12.30pm** – CV workshop and job search workshop with Jasmine from NOVA. All ages welcome (drop-in)
- **10am–3pm** – Fouzia's Sewing Club – drop-in sewing club for all, grow your skills, knit and natter
- **10am–11am** – Citizens Advice (drop-in)
- **1pm–3pm** – Adults gardening group with Lisa Wilkinson. Come and learn some new gardening skills (drop-in)
- **5pm–7pm** – Arabic language classes for ages seven plus (booking required, email thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk)

Wednesday 5 September

- **10am–12noon** – World coffee morning – free and open to all for a coffee and a chat
- **10.30am–12.30pm** – CV workshop and job search workshop with Jasmine from NOVA. All ages welcome (drop-in)
- **1pm–5pm** – Drug and alcohol support session (drop-in)

Thursday 6 September

- **10am–12pm** – Creche – Stay and Play – giving children and their parents/guardians a chance to play, sing, and explore and learn together for under fives – run by Early Years
- **10am–11am** – Citizens Advice (drop-in)
- **2pm–6pm** – Home Office – help with immigration and passport issues (drop-in)
- **5pm–7pm** – Arabic language classes for ages seven plus (booking required, email thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk)

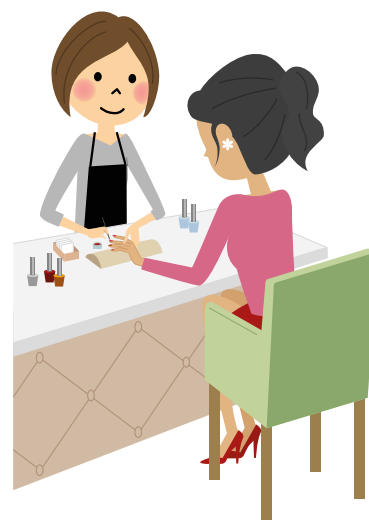


Friday 7 September

- **10am–11am** – Citizens Advice (drop-in)
- **11am–12noon** – Zumbini (Zumba for children) (drop-in)
- **4.30pm–5.30pm** – Children's gardening group with Lisa Wilkinson (drop-in)

Saturday 8 September

- **10am–6pm** – One Community Day at The Curve: bringing all the community together refreshments, arts and crafts, women's nail art and children's dance class, the Metronomes steel band and the reggae artist Scratchylus. Open to all.



The opening times for the creche at The Curve are:

Monday and Tuesday: 9am to 3pm

Wednesday and Friday: 10am to 5pm

To book a place in the creche, call **020 7221 9863** or email thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk

The Curve Community Centre, 10 Bard Road, London W10 6TP

Some sessions need to be booked in advance to secure your place, so email thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk and they will confirm your reservation by return.



For a full list of events visit grenfellsupport.org.uk/thecurve/events

This information is provided weekly by The Curve Community Centre. For more information call **020 7221 9836**

Second Petal added to Grenfell mosaic

The second petal has been added to the Grenfell Memorial Community Mosaic.

Sitting at the base of the Grenfell Tower site, the mosaic is an ongoing community project which is being led by visual arts organisation ACAVA and the Al-Manaar, The Muslim Cultural Heritage Centre. Last month (July), the first petal was created by Latymer Community Church and featured the word "Love", as chosen by members of the church.

This month's petal (August) was created by the Henry Dickens Community Centre, who chose the word "Hope".

Every month, a new community group will create a petal, adding a word of their choice to the mosaic. It has been agreed that the mosaic will remain on the hoarding at the base of the Tower for the duration of the project. The site team has extended the space for further expansion to be accommodated.

The next group to create a petal for the mosaic is the ClementJames Centre followed by Everyone Active at the Westway Sports Centre in October.



Credit goes to Toby Laurent-Belson

Update from the Grenfell site team

Earlier this week work started on repositioning the site entrance on Grenfell Road, restoring access to 12 parking bays and providing pedestrian access to Silchester Road.

This work was completed by
Friday 31 August.

Scaffolding of the exterior of Grenfell Tower is complete, however, work continues inside the building.

This includes ongoing propping work and weekly inspections of the 4,000 props and 24 levels of scaffolding.

In the coming weeks teams will be undertaking additional works to improve the building's protection from wintery weather conditions.



Support services on offer

Anyone who would like to speak to the police in relation to the investigation into the Grenfell tragedy is asked to contact the Met Police on **0800 032 4539**.

Important contacts

Cruse Bereavement Care

Call the Freephone helpline on

0808 808 1677 or email

helpline@cruse.org.uk

The helpline is open **Monday-Friday** from **9.30am to 5pm**. Extended hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings until 8pm.

Replacement UK passports, visas or immigration queries

Call the Home Office advice line on **0300 303 2832**. The line is open 24 hours.

Air quality and smoke exposure

If you have concerns about any symptoms, see your GP and mention Grenfell, they will be able to direct you appropriately.

Housing support

If you have any questions about housing or want to find out who your housing officer is please call **0800 137 111** or **020 7361 3008**.

Victim support

Call **0808 1689 111** for practical and emotional support, or visit **victimsupport.org.uk**. The line is open 24 hours a day.

The Grenfell Muslim Response Unit also offers additional support. Find out more by emailing **info@gmru.co.uk**

You can also get physical and mental support at **The Curve Community Centre**. Call **020 7221 9836**.

Hestia and the Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust are based overnight at the **Notting Hill Methodist Church, Lancaster Road** from **10pm to 8am**. Pop in for a chat and support.



Upcoming meetings

Residents welcome to attend.

Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday 19 September, 6.30pm
Kensington Town Hall

Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee

Monday 15 October, 6.30pm
Kensington Town Hall

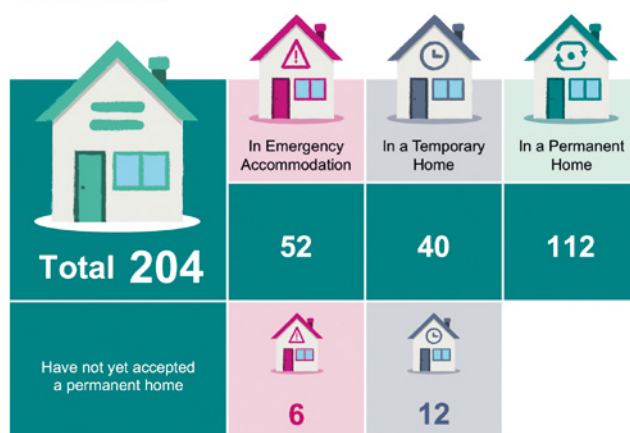
Full Council

Wednesday 17 October, 6.30pm
Kensington Town Hall

Grenfell Tower and Grenfell Walk rehousing progress update



These are the figures for
31 August 2018



BBC's "DIY SOS: Grenfell" is broadcasting on 5 and 12 September

A two-part television series entitled **"DIY SOS: Grenfell"** will be broadcast on BBC1 on **Wednesday 5 and 12 September at 9pm**.

The first episode will tell the story of the building of a new home for the Westway Trust's Dale Youth Boxing Club which was situated at the bottom of Grenfell Tower. The second programme, which will be broadcast the following week, will document the story of building a new community centre.

The programme has said that it is up to the community to decide how the space will ultimately be used.

A steering group is being set up to decide who will be the community operator. You can express interest by emailing **diysos@bbc.co.uk**. The deadline is **Friday 7 September**.

The programme would like to let you know in advance that both programmes include residents, eye witnesses, two current firefighters and other locals talking about their experiences of the Grenfell tragedy.

If you would like any further information, please contact the programme at **diysos@bbc.co.uk**

The Curve Board of Governors – 2018 meeting dates

The Curve Board of Governors will hold a further four meetings this year.

If you can't make it in person, minutes of all the meetings will be published on the Grenfell Support website at **grenfellsupport.org.uk/thecurve/board-of-governors**

The dates for the board meetings for the remainder of the year:

- **Thursday 13 September 2018, 5.30pm to 7.30pm**
- **Thursday 11 October 2018, 5.30pm to 7.30pm**
- **Thursday 8 November 2018, 5.30pm to 7.30pm**
- **Thursday 6 December 2018, 5.30pm to 7.30pm**

The board meetings are held on the **First Floor of The Curve Community Centre, 10 Bard Road, W10 6TP**.



The newsletter is also available in Arabic and Farsi languages.